TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1714 - SB 2125

February 26, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the current prohibition on political funding from insurance companies or insurance associations. This act will take effect upon becoming law.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - \$200

Assumption:

- According to the Secretary of State, Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance, the Bureau currently collects a \$100 registration fee per political action committee (PAC), per year.
- According to the Bureau, it does not estimate many additional PACs as a result of this bill.
- Insurance companies are assumed to be part of a PAC currently. The provisions of the bill will allow the contribution of an insurance company's funds to be given to a PAC.
- It is estimated that two additional PACs will register with the Bureau, resulting in a recurring increase in state revenue of \$200 (2 x \$100).

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

Increase Business Expenditures - Exceeds \$1,000

Assumptions:

- Insurance companies will expend company funds to advance business interests in this state.
- The amount of contributions is unable to be exactly determined; however, such amount would reasonably exceed \$1,000 annually.
- This increase in contributions will be reflected as an increase in business expenditures, to exceed \$1,000 annually.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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